Clearance of irrigation projects in Orissa

2220. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals of the irrigation projects of large and medium nature in Orissa which are pending with the Central Government for clearance from the Planning Commission;

(b) the number of irrigation projects of Orissa which have been cleared by the Planning Commission and the status of these projects; and

(c) the status of Ang Dam project on the river Ang in Padampur sub-division of Bargarh district of Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) At present 5 major and 7 medium irrigation projects which have been found acceptable by the Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Water Resources subject to certain observations are pending for investment clearance by the Planning Commission.

(b) A total of 19 projects of Orissa have been accorded investment clearance from April 1990 upto March 2004 by the Planning Commission and are under various stages of construction.

(c) The Ang Dam Project of Orissa was found acceptable by the Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Water Resources for an estimated cost of Rs. 304.66 crore subject to certain observations. After the compliance of these observations, the project could then be taken up for consideration by the Planning Commission for investment clearance. Cumulative expenditure upto end of Ninth Five Year Plan is Rs. 2.42 crore. As per Annual Plan for 2002-03 and 2003-04 no outlay and expenditure have been indicated.

Construction of canal on Swan river

† 2221. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a proposal of Rs. 123.93 crore relating to construction of canal on 16.67 K.M. stretch passing through Una District in Himachal Pradesh between Jhlera bridge and Santokhgarh bridge on Swan river was forwarded on 4th March, 2002 by

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.